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LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) Method A method for manufacturing pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts of 2,4'-dimethyl-3-piperidinopropiophenone (tolperisone), of formula (A)

(A)

said acid addition salts having a formula (B)

(B)

whereby comprising reacting 4-methylpropiophenone of the formula

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is reacted with piperidine hydrochloride of the formula

and 1,2-dioxolane of the formula

in the presence of a catalytic amount of an acid, as eatalyst, characterized by the fact that wherein tolperisone is separated as an acid addition salt in accordance with the general formula (B) after cooling the reaction mixture by addition of ethyl acetate and tert- butylmethylether to cause precipitation.

Claims 2 to 5 (Canceled).

- 6. (New) A method according to claim 1, wherein the acid is an inorganic acid.
- 7. (New) A method according to claim 1, wherein the acid is aqueous hydrochloric acid.
- 8. (New) A method according to claim 1, wherein the reaction is carried out in a solvent.
- 9. (New) A method according to claim 8, wherein the reaction is accomplished in 1,2-dioxolane as a solvent in a concentration range from 1 to 6 mol/lit.

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10. (New) A method according to claim 9, wherein the reaction is accomplished in 1,2-dioxolane as a solvent at a concentration of 3.6 mol/lit.

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